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For: METHODS FOR INSERTION AND )  
PROCESSING OF INFORMATION :  
FOR THE SYNCHRONIZATION OF A )  
DESTINATION NODE WITH A :  
DATA STREAM CROSSING A )  
BASIC NETWORK OF :  
HETEROGENEOUS NETWORK, AND )  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each non-U.S. patent document is also enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 5,751,721  
U.S. Publication No. 2002/0009049  
U.S. Publication No. 2002/0141439  
U.S. Publication No. 2001/0008531  
Europe 1 052 793  
Europe 1 122 931  
Europe 1 047 213

These documents were cited during prosecution of a French patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the French Search Report dated September 10, 2003 is enclosed.

It is noted that, since this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of each U.S. Patent and U.S. Patent Application Publication are not being provided herein.

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